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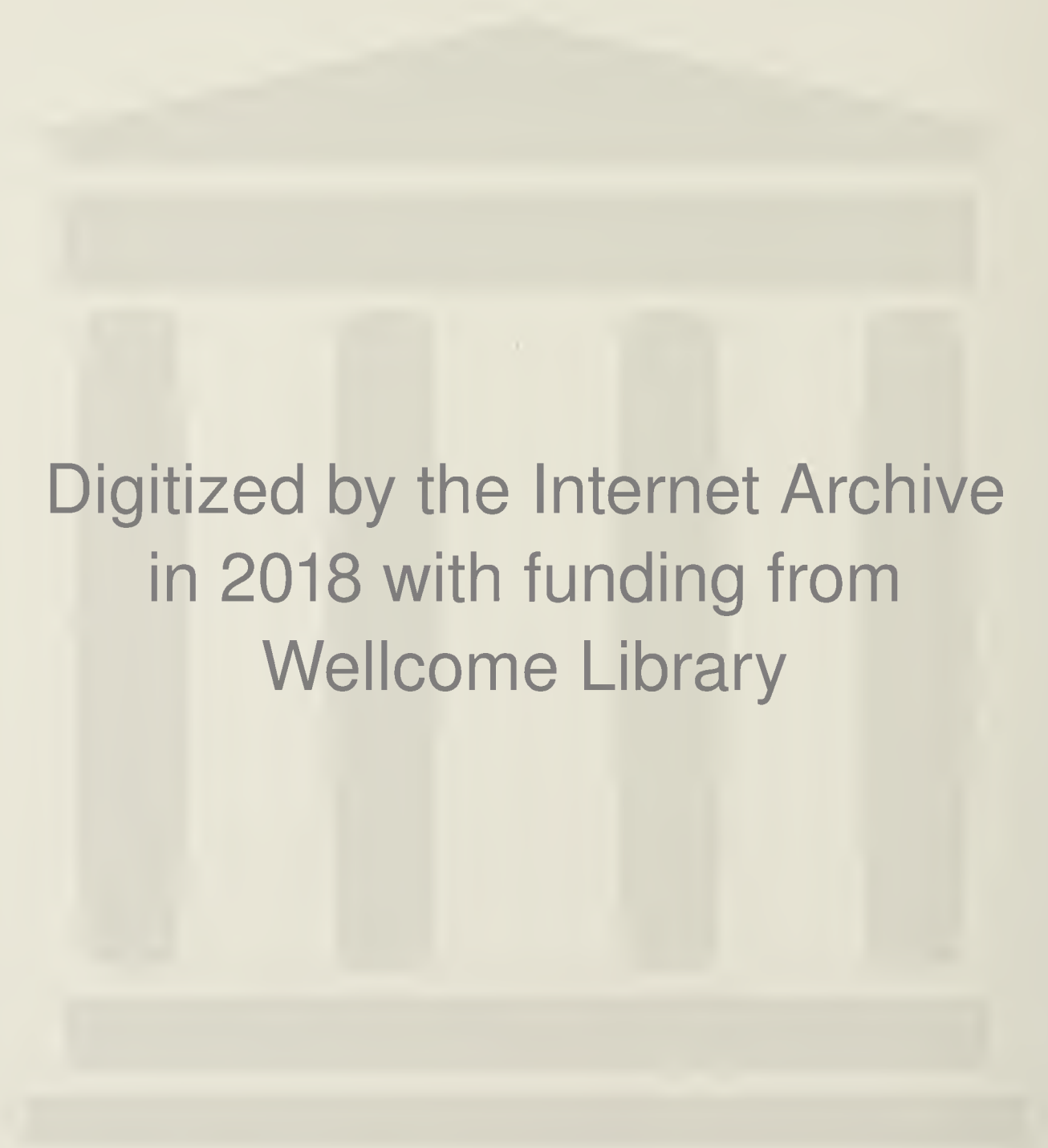
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HEALTH DEPARTMENT

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BOROUGH OF STALYBRIDGE

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE

(December, 1968)

Chairman	-	-	-	-	-	-	Alderman J.D. Lilley
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TO THE CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF
PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE

Mr. Chairman, Gentlemen,

This year my Annual Report comes of age as it is the 21st to be presented to you and your predecessors. During these years there have been many changes in committee members and staff and of the former only Councillor Porter remains and of the latter only Mr. Norris, Mr. Clough, Miss Norton and myself are still here to reminisce on old times.

I note in my first report that comment was made on the coming into operation of the National Health Service Act, then a revolutionary step introduced not without opposition and much debate. After twenty one years of development thought is now being given to further re-organisation and indeed one Green Paper has already been prepared and presented on this subject and we are awaiting a second one. It is to be hoped that any new system which evolves will benefit the patient and doctor alike to a degree equal to that achieved in 1948 and that future development will not be hampered by the pursuit of sectional interests nor prejudiced by hasty legislation.

During 1968 the statistics show that the Birth Rate increased from 18.64 to 21.89 representing 396 births and the infantile mortality was reduced to 25.25 per thousand livebirths. The illegitimacy rate continues to rise and constitutes 11.36% of all births. There were 331 deaths in the borough in 1968 giving a corrected rate of 20.27 compared with 15.01 in 1967.

Thought was given during 1968 to those houses in the town not included in the 1955 programme but which had deteriorated over the years. You considered a report early in 1968 prepared after a survey of these houses but after a joint meeting with the Housing Committee instructed your officers to have a second look with a view to improving some of these properties. You approved a second report which reduced the original number of unfit houses by some 350.

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Finally, I would like to thank the Chairman and Members of the Committee for their help and advice and the members of the staff for their loyal support cheerfully given.

Yours obediently,

T. HOLME

Medical Officer of Health

August, 1969.

STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE BOROUGH

Area (in acres)	...	...	...	...	3,190
Population Census, 1961	...	...	...	...	21,947
Population mid-year 1968 (estimated)	...	...	...	...	21,710
Estimated value of a Penny Rate	...	...	...	...	£2,725
Rateable Value 1st April, 1968	...	...	...	...	£704,583
No. of houses in Borough (approx.)	...	...	...	...	8,500
No. of business premises	...	...	...	...	785

LIVE BIRTHS

			Male	Female	Total	Total
Legitimate	...	...	194	157	351)	396
Illegitimate	...	...	29	16	45)	
Live Birth rate per 1,000 population						
					crude	18.24
					corrected	21.89
Illegitimate Live Births per cent						
of total Live Births	...					11.36

			Male	Female		Total
TOTAL LIVE AND STILLBIRTHS	...		226	179		405

STILLBIRTHS

			Male	Female	Total	Total
Legitimate	...	...	3	6	9)	9
Illegitimate	...	...	-	-	-)
Stillbirth rate per 1,000 live						
and stillbirths						22.72

DEATHS OF INFANTS UNDER ONE YEAR

			Male	Female	Total	Total
Legitimate	...	...	5	5	10)	10
Illegitimate	...	...	-	-	-)
Death rate of infants per 1,000 livebirths					25.25	
Death rate of infants per 1,000 livebirths						
		legitimate			25.25	
		illegitimate			-	

NEO NATAL DEATHS

			Male	Female	Total	Total
Legitimate	...	...	5	5	10)	10
Illegitimate	...	...	-	-	-)
Neo natal death rate	...				25.25	

EARLY NEO NATAL DEATH RATE (UNDER 1 WEEK)

			Male	Female	Total	Total
Legitimate	...	...	4	4	8)	8
Illegitimate	...	...	-	-	-)
Early neo natal death rate					20.20	

PERI NATAL DEATH RATE

	Male	Female	Total	Total
Legitimate	7	10	17)	17
Illegitimate	-	-	-)	
Peri Natal death rate ...			41.97	

DEATHS

	Male	Female	Total
All causes	155	176	331
Death rate per 1,000 population			
crude			15.24
corrected			20.27

MATERNAL MORTALITY RATE

	Total
Maternal deaths	0
Maternal mortality rate per 1,000 livebirths	00.00

PHYSICAL FEATURES OF THE DISTRICT

The Borough of Stalybridge is roughly triangular in shape, bordered on the south side by the Municipal Borough of Dukinfield and on the north west by the Municipal Borough of Ashton-under-Lyne and on the north and east by Mossley and Mottram respectively.

The River Tame, which at this point is the boundary of Lancashire and Cheshire, divides the town; the northern half lies in Lancashire, whilst the southern half lies in Cheshire. For administrative purposes the Borough is considered to be in Cheshire.

The Borough, surrounded by hills on all sides except the west is situate on the westerly slopes of the Pennine Chain, $7\frac{1}{2}$ miles east of Manchester and, although the main portion of the town is built round the River Tame at approximately 400 feet above sea level, the ground on the eastern side rises to a height of 1,000 feet.

SOCIAL CONDITIONS

Unfortunately the figures relating to industry in the town are not available from the Ministry of Labour. The most recent ones we have are for 1967 which I have quoted here. Although this part of the County was originally developed as a textile area there has been a changing pattern over the years. It is true textiles still employ the greatest number of people, but other industries have crept into the town and created their own problems, particularly to tenants of adjoining properties.

The comparative average of unemployed in 1968 was 185 (151 men and 34 women), the highest figure of 207 being reached in February and the lowest being 166 in December. The figures include 43 disabled persons of whom 32 are men. The numbers engaged in the various trades are as follows:-

Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing, Mining and Quarrying	...	...	...	...	6
Food, Drink and Tobacco	...	...	...	...	50
Engineering and Electrical Goods	...	...	...	...	1 484
Metal Goods not elsewhere specified	...	...	...	...	838
Textiles	...	...	...	...	2008
Clothing and Footwear	...	...	...	...	632
Timber, Furniture etc.	...	...	...	...	96
Paper Printing and Publishing	...	...	...	...	329
Other Manufacturing Industries, Chemicals and allied industries, Vehicles, Leather, Leather Goods and Fur, Bricks, Pottery, Glass, Cement etc....					963
Total all manufacturing industries					6400
Construction					407
Gas, Water and Electricity	...	...	...	...	979
Transport and Communication	...	...	...	...	543
Distributive Trades	...	...	...	...	556
Insurance, Banking and Finance	...	...	...	...	61
Professional and Scientific Services	...	...	...	...	382
Miscellaneous Services	...	...	...	...	246
Public Administration	...	...	...	...	459
Industry not stated	...	...	...	...	13
					10052

The most recent figures available are taken from the 1961 Census which shows a population distribution as follows in the extract below:-

Acreage, Population, Private Households & Dwellings

Area	Acre- age	Population				
		1951	1961			
		Persons	Persons	Males	Females	Persons per acre
Stalybridge M.B.	3,190	22,541	21,947	10,452	11,495	6.9
Wards:						
Dukinfield	163	4,441	2,853	1,337	1,516	17.5
Lancashire	581	5,443	5,982	2,880	3,102	10.3
Millbrook	1,220	4,293	4,155	2,048	2,107	3.4
Stayley	1,226	8,364	8,957	4,187	4,770	7.3

	Private households and dwellings, 1961					
	Private house- holds	Popula- tion in private house- holds	Struc- turally separate dwellings occupied	Rooms occupied	Density of occupation	
					Persons per room	Percent- age of persons at more than 1½ per room
Stalybridge M.B.	7,745	21,060	7,724	33,330	0.67	4.5
Wards:						
Dukinfield	1,131	2,853	1,130	4,608	0.63	3.5
Lancashire	2,064	5,947	2,053	6,991	0.67	4.3
Millbrook	1,289	4,155	1,282	5,844	0.72	4.4
Stayley	3,261	8,905	3,259	13,887	0.65	4.9

BIRTH RATE

There was a further increase in the births in the Borough in 1968 when 396 were recorded. This figure is made up of 223 males and 173 females, and gives a corrected livebirth rate of 21.89 per thousand population. The number of illegitimate births again increased from 38 to 45 representing 11.36 of all births. This rate has for many years varied between 4% and 5% but the last six years have shown a gradual increase:-

Illegitimacy rates as percentage of total births

Year	%
1960	3.7
1961	5.2
1962	6.02
1963	6.46
1964	8.33
1965	7.69
1966	7.57
1967	10.38
1968	11.36

DEATH RATE

The number of deaths in the Borough increased by 20 to 331. Of these 155 were males and 176 were females giving a crude death rate of 15.24 per thousand population.

The corrected death rate for Stalybridge, that is the death rate adjusted for the particular variations in age and sex distribution in Stalybridge compared with the country as a whole, was 20.27. Chest conditions resulted in 88 deaths of which 17 were carcinoma of the lung (15 men, 2 women), and 27 were from bronchitis and emphysema. Heart disease claimed 84 victims of which the greatest number was from coronary thrombosis 55 patients died from this condition.

There was only one suicide in the borough during 1968.

INFANT MORTALITY RATE

There were 10 infant deaths during the year compared with 13 in 1967. This represents a rate of 25.25, 35.5 in 1967. Swings of this nature are likely when dealing with small numbers but I would call your attention to Table VI which shows the downward trend since 1900 and it is of interest to note that all the infant deaths in 1968 occurred in the first four weeks of life.

STILLBIRTHS

There were 9 stillbirths notified in 1968 giving a rate of 22.72 per thousand related births (19.00 in 1967).

NEO-NATAL DEATH RATE

The neo-natal death rate, which represents the number of deaths of infants under 4 weeks of age per thousand livebirths, was 25.25 compared with 27.3 in 1967.

PERI-NATAL DEATH RATE

This rate is based on the mortality in the period surrounding the birth and includes both neo-natal deaths and stillbirths. It increased this year from 40.2 to 41.97 as a result of an increase in the number of stillbirths.

MATERNAL MORTALITY

There were no maternal deaths during the year.

TABLE I

BIRTH RATE, DEATH RATE AND ANALYSIS OF MORTALITY DURING THE YEAR 1968

	Rate per 1000 Total Population		Rate per 1000 Live & Stillbirths	Infant Mortality Rate per 1000 Related Births
	Livebirths	Deaths all causes	Stillbirths	All causes (under one year)
England and Wales (provisional figures)	16.9	11.9	14.3	18.3
Stalybridge	21.89	20.27	22.72	25.25

Live Births

The Ratio of local adjusted birth rate to national average - 1.20

Deaths

The Ratio of local adjusted death rate to national average - 1.33

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CAUSES OF DEATH

Shown as a percentage of Total Deaths

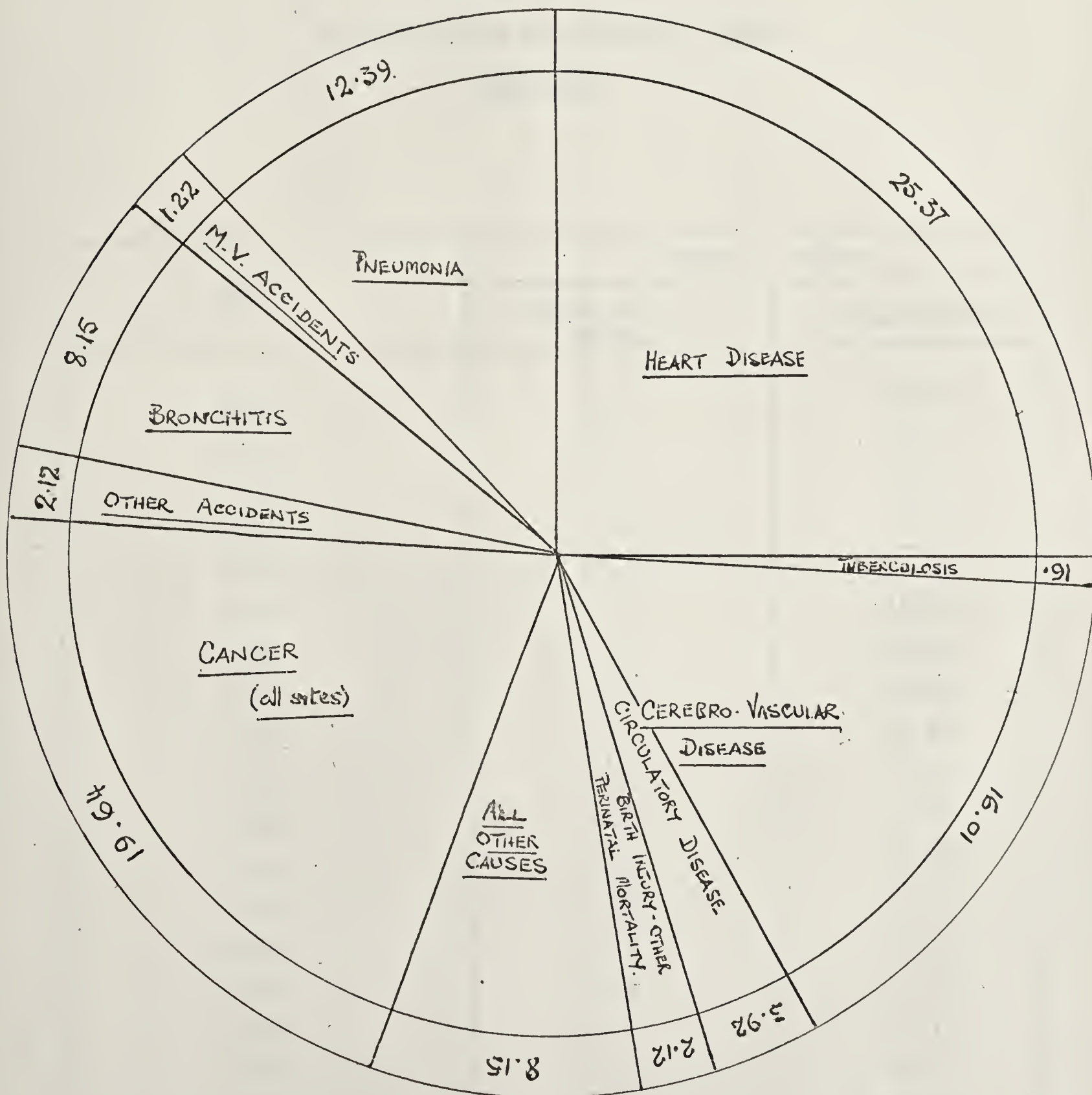


TABLE II
DEATH RATES
IN STALYBRIDGE AND ENGLAND & WALES
FROM 1950

Year	Death Rates	
	England and Wales	Stalybridge
1950	11.6	13.58
1951	12.5	15.83
1952	11.3	14.73
1953	11.4	13.016
1954	11.3	12.68
1955	11.7	14.32
1956	11.7	14.87
1957	11.5	14.295
1958	11.7	14.48
1959	11.6	13.93
1960	11.5	14.19
1961	12.0	16.304
1962	11.9	16.15
1963	12.2	15.09
1964	11.3	14.52
1965	11.5	14.71
1966	11.7	14.37
1967	11.2	15.01
1968	11.9	20.27

TABLE III

REGISTRAR GENERAL'S RETURN 1968

CAUSES OF DEATH IN VARIOUS AGE GROUPS

Causes of Death	Under 4 weeks	4 weeks & under 1 year	1 - 4 years	5 - 14 years	15 - 24 years	25 - 34 years	35 - 44 years	45 - 54 years	55 - 64 years	65 - 74 years	75 and over	Total all ages	
												M	F
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	2	1
Other Infective & Parasitic Diseases	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-
Malignant Neoplasm, Stomach	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	4	3	7	3
Malignant Neoplasm, Lung, Bronchus	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	5	8	2	15	2
Malignant Neoplasm, Breast	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	4	1	-	6
Malignant Neoplasm, Uterus	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	1	-	4
Leukaemia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	1
Other Malignant Neoplasms	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	4	7	10	4	17	9
Benign and unspecified neoplasms	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1
Diabetes Mellitus	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-
Other diseases of nervous system	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	1
Chronic Rheumatic heart disease	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2	2	2	3	5
Hypertensive Disease	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	2	1	3
Ischaemic Heart Disease	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2	10	19	22	28	27
Other forms of heart disease	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	2	2	12	4	13
Cerebrovascular disease	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	10	21	21	20	33
Other diseases of Circulatory System	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	9	2	11
Influenza	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	2
Pneumonia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	2	13	22	17	24
Bronchitis & Emphysema	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	12	12	16	11
Other diseases of Respiratory System	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	1	2
Peptic Ulcer	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	3	3	1
Other diseases of Digestive System	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-
Nephritis & Nephrosis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	1	1
Hyperplasia of Prostate	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-
Other diseases, Genito-Urinary System	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-
Diseases of Musculo-skeletal System	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-
Birth Injury, difficult labour etc.	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2
Other causes of Perinatal Mortality	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1
Symptoms & ill-defined conditions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	1	4
Motor Vehicle Accidents	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	2	2	2
All other accidents	1	1	-	-	1	-	-	1	1	-	2	2	5
Suicide & self-inflicted injuries	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
All other external causes	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-
	8	2	-	1	1	-	4	21	52	111	131	155	176

INFANTILE MORTALITY RATE STALYBRIDGE (1904 - 1968)

— Stalybridge Infantile Mortality per 1000 livebirths
- - - England and Wales Infantile Mortality per 1000 livebirths

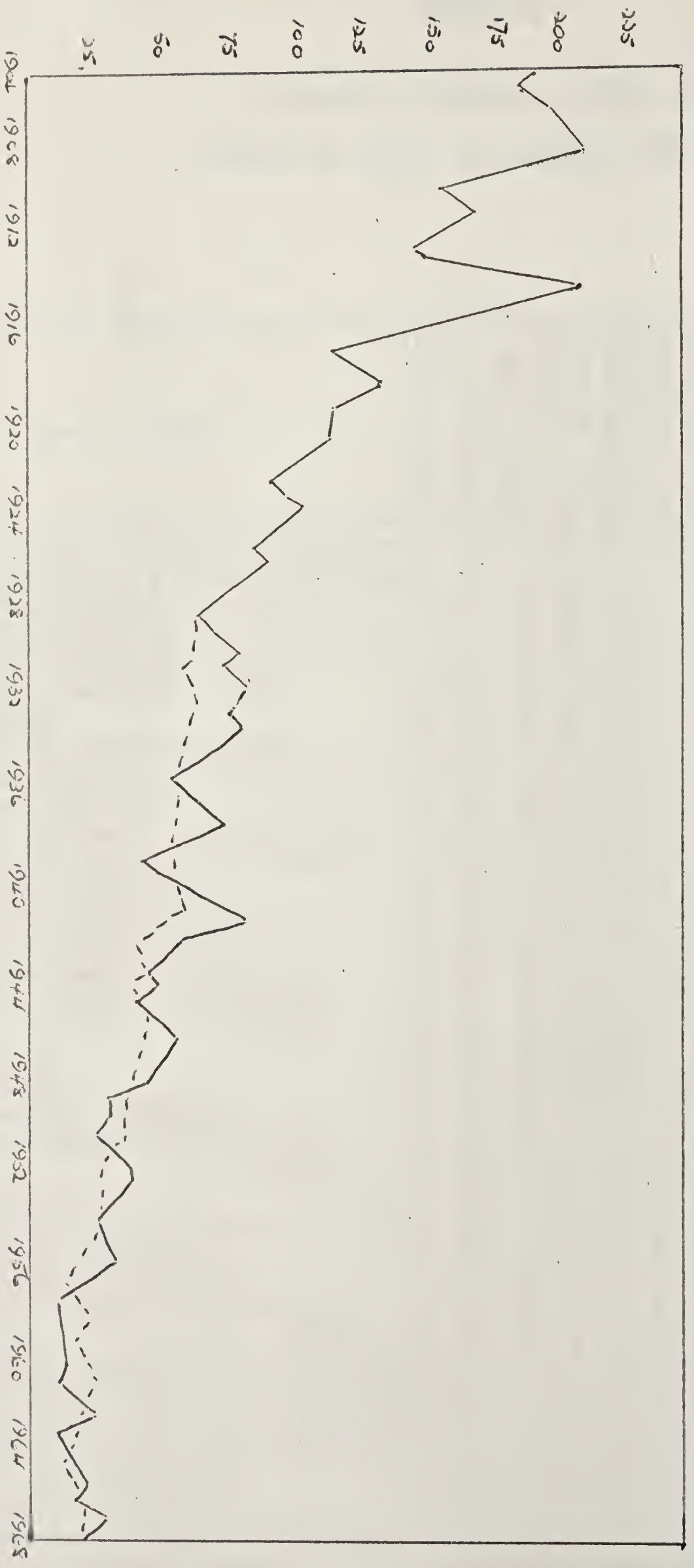


TABLE IV

BIRTH, DEATH AND INFANTILE MORTALITY

RATES IN THE BOROUGH FROM 1900

Year	Birth Rate	Death Rate	Infantile Mortality Rate
1900 - 04	21.58	20.1	210
1905 - 09	23.01	18.63	193.2
1910 - 14	21.63	17.92	165.48
1915 - 19	16.83	17.75	130.9
1920 - 24	18.56	15.08	114.9
1925 - 29	14.97	14.80	81.1
1930 - 34	13.47	13.78	73.80
1935 - 39	12.94	15.02	54.6
1940 - 44	15.42	16.11	60.57
1945 - 49	18.78	14.98	45.69
1950 - 54	15.56	13.97	28.43
1955 - 59	15.30	14.38	18.53
1960 - 64	17.93	15.25	18.06
1965	16.55	14.71	15.53
1966	16.87	14.37	27.27
1967	18.64	15.01	35.5
1968	21.89	20.27	25.25

GENERAL PROVISIONS OF HEALTH

SERVICES IN THE AREA

BACTERIOLOGY

The following specimens were forwarded to the Public Health Laboratory for investigation:-

<u>Sample</u>	<u>Positive for</u>		<u>Negative</u>	<u>Total</u>
	<u>Pathogenic</u>	<u>Organisms</u>		
Faeces	38		98	136
Throat Swab	-		1	1
Nasal Swab	-		-	-
	38		99	137

I would like to thank Dr. Abbott and the staff at the Public Health Laboratory for their willing help and co-operation at all times.

MILK AND DAIRIES

Since the Milk (Special Designation) Regulations, 1960, came into force we have been supplied with details of the results of all samples taken by the County Medical Officer to whom I am grateful for the following information:-

TABLE VI

Type of Milk						
Past.	Ster.	U.H.T.	T.T.	T.T. Past.	Hom.	Raw
49	12	10	2	45	18	63

Type of Test											
Meth.Blue		Phosphatase		Turbidity		B.Tuberc.		Colony Count		Brucella	
Satis.	Unsatis.	Satis.	Unsatis.	Satis.	Unsatis.	Satis.	Unsatis.	Under 10	Over 10	Evid.	No Evid.
117	7	50	-	11	-	-	-	11	-	-	28

FOOD & DRUGS ACT, 1955

The Cheshire County Council continue to administer the Food and Drugs Act and the samples of food noted below were obtained in the Borough during the Year by the Weights & Measures Department of that authority. Mr. Nattrass reports as follows:-

<u>Sample</u>	<u>No. of samples obtained</u>	<u>No. of samples reported against</u>
Antussin Cough Treatment	1	
Apples, Golden Delicious	1	
Beans baked in tomato sauce	1	
Beer, Long Life	1	
Bilberries in heavy syrup	1	
Bread milk roll	1	
Buttermilk Drink (cultured)	1	
Calamine Lotion	1	
Chocolate (Raw Sugar)	2	
Coconut creamed	1	
Coffee, Instant	1	
Condiment non-brewed	1	
Cooking Oil	1	
Cream, pure sterilised	1	
Diarrhoea mixture	1	
Dietetic Wafer	1	
Emulsion, Scotts	1	
Fish Dressing (Brown-it)	1	
Flour, plain	1	
Gin	3	
Honey cakes	1	
Lemon Squash	1	
Milk	61	
Milk, instant low fat	1	
Orange drink	2	
Pepper black	1	
Pills, Beechams	1	
Potatoes	1	
Potato Croquettes	1	
Pudding, Syrup Sponge	1	
Sardines in Tomato Sauce	1	
Sauce, apple	1	
Sausage, beef	1	
Sausage, pork and beef	1	
Shandy, ginger beer	1	
Shandy, lemonade	1	
Soda water	2	2
Tablets, Aspirin	1	
Boracic Acid	1	
Paracetamol Junior Soluble	2	
Whisky	1	
	<u>107</u>	<u>2</u>

Particulars of samples not up to standard
during the year ended 31st December, 1968

<u>Sample</u>	<u>Result of Analysis</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
Soda water	Contained yellowish, brown mass which included very few mould threads, but consisted mainly of rust probably derived from water used in preparation.	Caution by Chief Inspector
Soda water	Contaminated with several matts of dark mould threads	Caution by Chief Inspector

Particulars of complaints from private purchasers
not submitted to the Public Analyst during the
year ended 31st December, 1968

<u>From</u>	<u>Complaint</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
Private Purchaser	Mouldy processed cheese	Packers cautioned
" "	Complaint of mouldy loaf	Retailer fined £10
" "	Dirt in soda water	See above
" "	Complaint of insect in meat and potato pie	Bakers cautioned

WATER SUPPLIES

6 samples of water were taken for bacteriological examination and the results were recorded as follows:-

3 samples of Town's water were found to be satisfactory.

2 samples of a small chlorinated supply serving 185 houses in the Millbrook area were taken, one was found to be satisfactory - one unsatisfactory.

1 sample of the spring supplies in the Carrbrook and Millbrook area was taken, which was satisfactory.

I am indebted to the Engineer and Manager of the West Pennine Water Board, Mr. H.W. Elton, for the following information:-

1. Bacteriological examination of piped supplies:-

<u>Type of Water</u>	<u>Samples taken</u>	<u>Results</u>
Filtered water taken at plant	2	Excellent
Filtered water taken in Borough	55) 53) 2	Excellent Satisfactory

2. Chemical analysis

Nil

3. Plumbosolvency - the pH is raised by the addition of Soda Ash and Sodium Bicarbonate and the results have been satisfactory.

4. The quality and quantity have both been satisfactory and no form of contamination has occurred.

5. Population supplied from public water mains:-

(a) Direct to houses	-	21,710
(b) By means of standpipes	-	NONE

BATHS

The following criteria have applied to the Public Swimming Baths for the past few years:-

- (1) Source of Supply - Town's mains
- (2) Both pools are operated on the continuous turn-over system. (a) Filtration (b) Aeration (c) Sterilisation by Chlorine Gas.

Chemical treatment is constant and frequent tests are taken to ensure that breakpoint chlorination is present giving a free chlorine reading of two parts per million with a potential hydrogen reading of 7.8 parts per million. The resultant bacterial counts under these conditions have been nil.

Periodically both pools are completely emptied and the basins scrubbed.

PREVALENCE OF AND CONTROL OVER INFECTIOUS DISEASE

TABLE VII

Infectious Disease Notifications, 1968

		M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F		
		Scarlet Fever		Whooping Cough		Acute Polio-myelitis		Measles		Dysentery		Meningo-cocal Infectious		Pneumonia		Erysipelas		Food Poisoning		Tuberculosis Respiratory		Tuberculosis Menginges & C.N.S.		Tuberculosis Other		Infective Jaundice	
Under 1 year				2	1			3	5																		
1 -	"			1				6	3																		
2 -	"							3	9																		
3 -	"							6	9																		
4 -	"	1	1	1	2			4	10	1	1																
5 - 9	"							23	22	6	2																
10 - 14	"																										
15 - 24	"																										
25 & over																											
Age unknown																											
Under 5 years																											
5 - 14	"																										
15 - 44	"																										
45 - 64	"																										
65. & over																											
Age unknown																											
2 - 4 years																											
5 - 9	"																										
10 - 14	"																										
15 - 44	"																										
45 - 64	"																										
65 - 74	"																										
Age unknown																											
TOTAL		1	1	5	3			47	59	12	6							2		5				1	1	1	6

TABLE VIIIIncidence of the Main Infectious Diseases1961 - 1968

	1968	1967	1966	1965	1964	1963	1962	1961
Typhoid	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Poliomyelitis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Diphtheria	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Scarlet Fever	2	21	2	1	2	10	11	7
Tuberculosis (all forms)	6	6	6	9	6	15	11	13
Measles	106	200	290	149	326	265	128	189
Whooping Cough	8	55	26	1	35	24	18	14
Dysentery	18	17	2	5	5	-	31	-
Cerebro-Spinal Fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Food poisoning	2	4	2	2	1	9	9	8
Infective Jaundice	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	149	303	328	167	375	323	208	231

SPECIFIC INFECTIONS

The number of notifications received during the year was 149 - a decrease over the previous year again caused by a lower incidence of measles. Measles immunization became available towards the end of the year and this may have played some part in reducing the number of cases. It will be interesting to follow the progress of this disease over the next few years. The other notifiable infectious diseases were not particularly troublesome. It is pleasing to note a reduction in the number of Whooping Cough notifications after last years increase. Infective Jaundice became a notifiable condition in 1968 and 7 cases were reported.

TUBERCULOSIS TREND 1922 - 1968

--- . Notifications per 1000 population
— Deaths per 1000 population

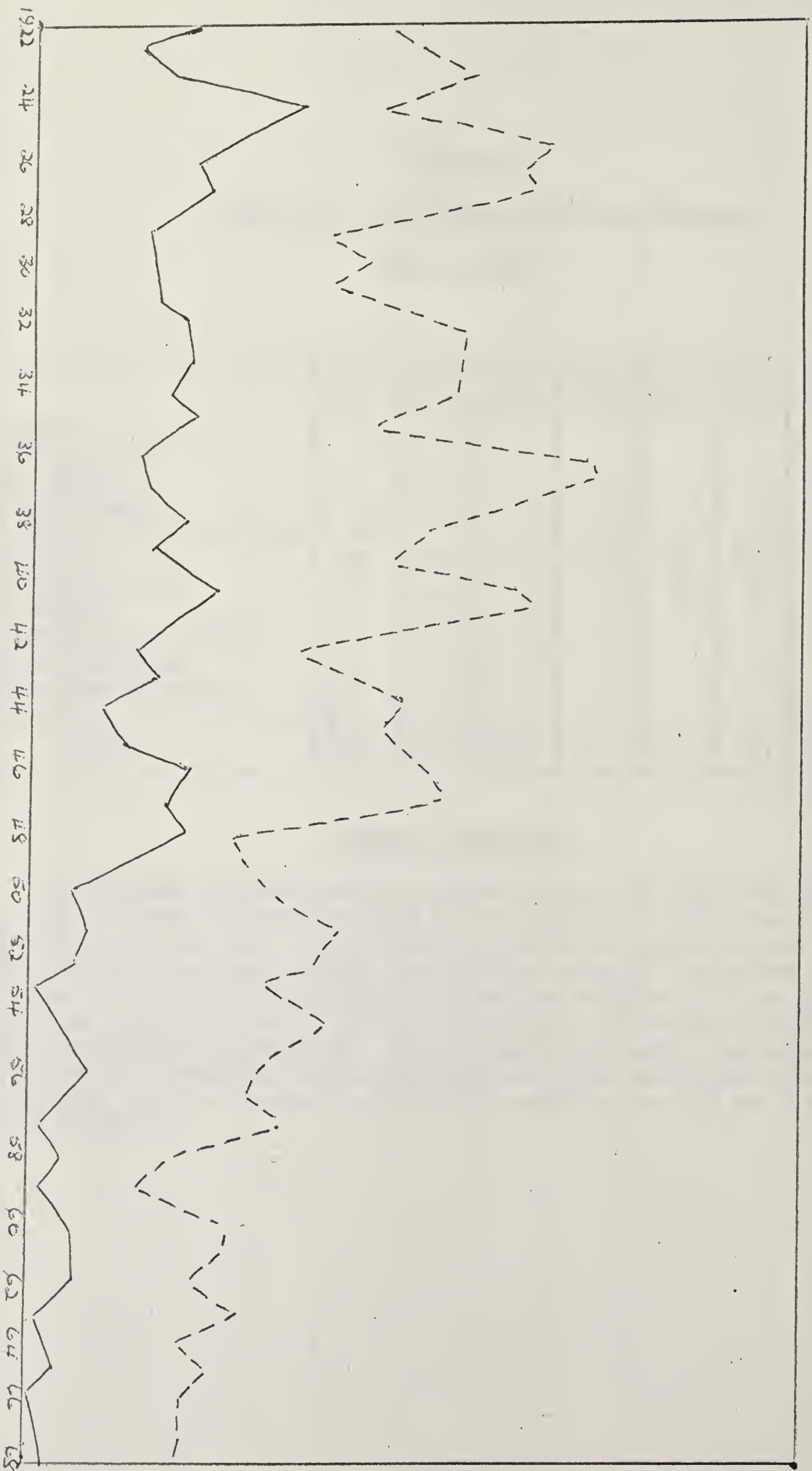


TABLE IX

Cases of Tuberculosis remaining on Register
at December, 1957 - 1968

Year	Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary		Total	
	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
1957	86	64	10	6	96	70
1958	82	62	9	6	91	68
1959	79	58	7	7	86	63
1960	73	52	9	6	82	61
1961	69	48	9	8	78	56
1962	67	44	10	8	77	52
1963	69	35	11	11	80	46
1964	58	31	13	12	71	43
1965	54	33	14	14	68	47
1966	52	35	13	14	65	49
1967	52	36	13	14	65	50
1968	47	36	14	14	61	50

CANCER

The number of cancer deaths this year was 63. Of these deaths 17, or 26.1% were due to cancer of the lung. It is significant to note that the figure of 17 is made up of 15 males and 2 females.

DYSENTERY

There were 18 cases of dysentery to record for the year 1968.

FOOD POISONING

There are no outbreaks of food poisoning to report during 1968. 2 unassociated isolated cases were notified.

H O U S I N G

The following table gives the number of houses which have been represented as individually unfit for human habitation since 1940:-

TABLE X

Year		No. of Houses Represented	
		<u>Housing Act, 1936</u>	
	<u>Section 12 (1) Closing Order</u>		<u>Section 11 (1) Demolition Order</u>
1940	3		-
1941	-		-
1942	-		3
1943	4		8
1944	2		5
1945	-		4
1946	-		3
1947	1		1
1948	-		-
1949	-		5
1950	-		8
1951	1		2
1952	1		4
1953	4		10
1954	16		1
1955	36		5
1956	11		4
1957	12		-
		<u>Sections 16 & 17 Housing Act, 1957</u>	
	<u>Closing Order</u>		<u>Demolition Order</u>
1957	9		8
1958	14		28
1959	6		13
1960	16		2
1961	16		9
1962	7		2
1963	13		-
1964	6		7
1965	3		1
1966	4		-
1967	2		2
1968	1		-

During the year two clearance areas were made involving 19 houses. These are detailed in Table II in the Chief Public Health Inspector's section of this report.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE
CHIEF PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR
AND
CLEANSING SUPERINTENDENT
FOR THE YEAR
1968

To the Chairman and Members of
the Public Health Committee

Mr. Chairman & Gentlemen,

I have pleasure in presenting to you my 23rd report on the work of the Cleansing Department and the Public Health Inspectors' section of the Health Department.

1968 has been a year of continued routine work -

The clearance of unfit houses has continued, but on a reduced scale - four Public Inquiries were held to hear objections.

The Mottram Road/Mottram Old Road Smoke Control Order became operative and three other Smoke Control Orders were made, to become operative in 1969. A Postal Survey was carried out of the Grey Street/Stocks Lane/Mottram Road Area prior to making the Order.

The measurement of smoke and sulphur dioxide in the air continued on a daily basis.

The inspection of all 11,434 carcasses of animals slaughtered at our one slaughterhouse was carried out.

The collection and disposal of refuse continued with difficulty. Several changes of Foreman and numerous breakdowns of vehicles, including one refuse collection vehicle destroyed by fire, added to our troubles which were made more difficult by long and awkward "carries" from the numerous houses being built in the town.

Mr. I.G. Taylor the 2nd Additional Public Health Inspector left the Department early in the year and was replaced by Mr. M.H. Dunkerley on 1st April.

Loyal and conscientious service by all members of the staff was again a feature of the years work, as was the encouragement and help given to the department by the Chairman, Deputy Chairman and members of the Public Health Committee.

Your obedient servant,

J. NORRIS

Chief Public Health Inspector

TABLE I

	Number Visits	No. Notices served		Result of Service of Notice		
		Staty.	In formal	Complied with	Out standing	Prose- cutions
Housing	1983	7	108	46	62	-
Yards, Courts, Passages	15	-	-	-	-	-
Drainage & Conversions	666	1	39	25	14	-
Infectious Disease	28	-	-	-	-	-
Meat & Other Foods	751	-	-	-	-	-
Food Premises	407	-	61	5	56	-
Milk & Dairies	2	-	-	-	-	-
Ice Cream Mfg. & Shops	14	-	-	-	-	-
Water Supplies	8	-	1	1	-	-
Shops Act	123	-	-	-	-	-
Factories Act	72	-	2	-	2	-
Refuse Collection	482	-	-	-	-	-
Refuse Disposal	394	-	-	-	-	-
Smoke Abatement (Industrial)	16	-	-	-	-	-
Smoke Control Areas (Dom.)	438	-	-	-	-	-
Hairdressing Saloons	17	-	-	-	-	-
Schools	-	-	-	-	-	-
Keeping of Animals	16	-	2	1	1	-
Offensive Accumulations	52	-	17	11	6	-
Offensive Trades	4	-	-	-	-	-
Contagious Diseases of Animals	21	-	-	-	-	-
Pets Act	1	-	-	-	-	-
Rats & Mice Infestations	472	-	-	-	-	-
" " " "						
(visits by Rodent Operator)	2,657	-	-	-	-	-
Offices, Shops & Railway Premises	72	-	2	-	2	-
Unclassified Visits	672	-	1	1	-	-
Interviews	1,148	-	-	-	-	-
Committee Meetings	33					
Total	10,564	8	233	90	143	-

HOUSING CONDITIONSCOMMON LODGING HOUSES

There are no common lodging houses in the district.

HOUSING AND PUBLIC HEALTH ACT DEFECTS

During the year 341 complaints were received and investigated. The number in 1967 was 459.

8 formal and 233 informal notices dealing with 639 defects were served.

It was again not found necessary to take any prosecutions.

CLEARANCE OF UNFIT HOUSES

2 further Clearance Areas included in 2 Clearance Orders and Compulsory Purchase Orders were represented during the year. The areas contained 19 houses.

4 Public Inquiries were held -

Gledhall Street Compulsory Purchase Order on 24th July

Kinder Street/Union Street/Wakefield Road
Compulsory Purchase Order on 13th August

Huddersfield Road/Hey Heads Clearance
Order on 15th October

Bridge Street/Caroline Street/Bedford
Street Compulsory Purchase Order on 29th September

All Orders were confirmed without modification.

TABLE
CLEARANCE OF UNFIT

No	Clearance Area	Clearance Order or Compulsory Purchase Order	Date of Order	No. of Houses Represented	No. of Houses Confirmed by Ministry
1	Henry St. & Thomas St.	CPO	1955	34	34
2	Bridge St. No. 1	CPO	1955	6	6
3	Bridge St. No. 2	CPO	1955	6	6
4	Cartwright's Bldgs., Robinson St.	CO	1955	7	7
5	Robinson St. & Summers St.	CO	1955	11	11
6	High St. No. 1	Patching	-	9	9
7	Castle Hall No. 1	CPO	1955	28	27
8	Robinson St. & Binns St.	CPO	1955	15	15
9	High St. No. 2	CPO	1955	6	6
10	Castle Hall No. 2	CPO	1955	38	38
11	Woolley's Terr. Peel St. Stanley St. & Robinson St.	CO	1956	36	36
12	Ashton St. & Belfield's Yard	CO	1956	14	14
13	Castle St. & Caroline St.	CPO	1956	8	8
14	Grafton St. & John St.	CPO	1957	14	14
15	Grouse St. & Friendship Yard	CPO	1957	13	13
16	Newton St. & Mount St.	CPO	1959	35	35
17	Tenter Brow	CPO	1959	9	9
18	Castle Hall No. 3	CPO	1959	48	48
19	Grosvenor St. & Caroline St.	CO	1959	12	12
20	Hully St. & Water Road	CO	1959	6	6
21	Shepley St. & Water St.	CPO	1959	14	14
22	Buckley St.	CPO	1959	5	5
23	Grosvenor St. No. 1	CPO	1959	29	29
24	Huddersfield Rd. & Platt's Bldgs.	-	-	33	Order not made
25	Leech St.	CPO	1960	13	13
26	Stamford St. & Ayton St.	CPO	1960	10	10
27	Canal St. Grosvenor St. Bennett St.	CPO	1960	17	17
28	Vaudrey St. & Cross Leech St.	CPO	1960	5	5
29	Castle Hall No. 4	CPO	1961	41	41
30	High St. No. 3	CPO	1961	11	11
31	Grosvenor St. & Hallas St.	CPO	1961	7	7
32	High St./Booth St.	CPO	1961	102	102
33	Back Grosvenor St.	CPO	1961	4	4
34	Back Demesne St.	-	-	15	Order not made
35	Bower Grove	CPO	1961	13	13
36	North End	CPO	1962	23	23
37	Black Rock	CPO	1962	14	14
38	Hollins St.	CPO	1962	2	2
39	Booth St.	CPO	1962	8	8
40	Ogden St.	CPO	1962	3	3
41	Back Avon St.	CPO	1962	8	8

II

HOUSES IN POST WAR SCHEME

Date of Representation	Date of Inquiry	Date of Confirmation by Ministry	No. of persons displaced	
8. 3.55	27. 9.55	5. 1. 56	111	
8. 3.55	27. 9.55	5. 1.56	20	Includes 3 owned by L.A.
8. 3.55	27. 9.55	5. 1.56	17	
8. 6.55	No objection	12.12.55	12	
8. 6.55	No objection	12.12.55	29	
8. 6.55	-	16. 2.56	-	
8. 6.55	24. 1.56	8. 3.56	86	Includes 9 owned by L.A.
5.10.55	20. 3.56	18. 6.56	45	
5.10.55	20. 2.56	18. 6.56	20	
30.11.55	31. 5.56	28. 8.56	96	
5. 9.56	No objection	25. 2.57	86	
5. 9.56	No objection	25. 2.57	44	
5. 9.56	No objection	25. 3.57	16	
28. 8.57	11. 2.58	4. 6.58	24	
28. 8.57	11. 2.58	4. 6.58	23	Includes 10 owned by L.A.
3. 9.58	No objection	14. 5.59	22	
8.10.58	No objection	14. 5.59	18	
8.10.58	No objection	4. 6.59	114	Includes 13 owned by L.A.
3. 6.59	No objection	17. 6.60	40	
3. 6.59	No objection	30. 8.60	13	
3. 6.59	No objection	23. 2.60	38	Includes 4 owned by L.A.
24. 6.59	No objection	4. 1.60	12	
9. 9.59	10. 5.60	18. 8.60	61	
3. 2.60	Properties purchased	-	49	
9. 3.60	No objection	11.10.60	30	Includes 1 owned by L.A.
1. 6.60	15.10.60	7. 3.61	24	
7. 9.60	No objection	22. 3.61	17	Includes 2 owned by L.A.
7. 9.60	No objection	26. 1.61	4	
9.10.60	No objection	17. 5.61	93	Includes 4 owned by L.A.
8. 3.61	No objection	15. 9.61	27	
26. 4.61	No objection	15. 9.61	11	
5. 4.61	9. 8.61	7.12.61	215	
21. 6.61	No objection	21.11.61	10	
15.11.61	Properties purchased	-	37	
8.11.61	No objection	5. 7.62	29	
7. 2.62	No objection	15.11.62	46	Includes 3 owned by L.A.
7. 2.62	No objection	8.11.62	48	
7. 2.62	No objection	24.10.62	8	
7. 2.62	No objection	24.10.62	27	
7. 2.62	7. 6.62	4.10.62	7	
25. 4.62	No objection	5.11.62	19	

TABLE
CLEARANCE OF UNFIT

No.	Clearance Area	Clearance Order or Compulsory Purchase Order	Date of Order	No. of Houses Represented	No. of Houses Confirmed by Ministry
42	Heap Street	CPO	1962	6	5
43	Cocker Hill	CPO	1962	2	2
44	Castle Hall No. 5	CPO	1962	189	188
45	Castle Hall No. 6	CPO	1963	73	73
46	Spring Bank, Heyrod	CO	1963	15	15
47	Nos. 3 & 4 Comprehensive Development Areas (Unfit Orders)	CPO	1963	7	
48	Castle Street Nos. 1 & 2	CPO	1963	19	19
49	Castle Hall No. 7	CPO	1963	72	69
50	Acres Lane & Lawton Street	CPO	1963	9	7
51	Stamford St./Wakefield Rd./Church St.	CPO		26	24
52	Montague St./Kinder St./Union St.	CPO	1963	13	13
53	High St./Robinson St./Tame St./Stanley St.	CPO	1964	56	54
54	Howards Buildings	CPO	1965	16	16
55	Castle Hall No. 8	CPO	1964	5	4
56	Brougham Street	CPO	1964	17	17
57	Warrington St. & Swallow's Yard	CPO	1964	12	12
58	High St. No. 4	CPO	1964	4	4
59	Castle Hall Nos. 9, 10, 11	CPO	1964	76	74
60	Huddersfield Rd. & Ogden's Bldgs.	CO	1964	12	12
61	Victoria St. Millbrook	CO	1964	6	6
62	High St. & Victoria Place	CPO	1964	27	27
63	High St. Nos. 5, 6, 7	CPO	1965	32	31
64	Kirk's Buildings	CPO	1965	3	3
65	Bk. Astley St.	CPO	1965	5	5
66	George St. No. 1 & 2	CPO	1965	14	14
67	Set St./Sycamore St.	CPO	1965	49	49
68	High St. No. 8 and High St./Robinson St./Nield St.	CPO	1966	49	46
69	Quay St./Calverts Yard	CPO	1966	21	21
70	Quarry St.	CO	1966	3	3
71	Booth St.	CPO	1966	7	7
72	Castle Hall No. 12 & 13	CPO	1966	90	89
73	Stamford St.	No Order made	-	4	-
74	Castle Hall No. 14	CPO	1966	107	103
75	Castle Hall Nos. 15, 16, 17, 18	CPO	1967	139	138
76	Bk. Demesne St.	CPO	1967	13	13
77	Derby St.	CO	1967	14	14

II
HOUSES IN POST WAR SCHEME

Date of Representation	Date of Inquiry	Date of Confirmation by Ministry	No. of Persons Displaced	
25. 4.62	No objection	5.11.62	7	1 part demolished house to be coloured grey
25. 4.62	No objection	5.11.62	3	
6. 6.62	No objection	24. 4.63	455	Includes 3 L.A. & 1 lock-up shop coloured grey
9. 1.63	No objection	6.12.63	158	Includes 15 L.A. houses
9. 1.63	No objection	20. 6.63	23	
3. 4.63	18.2.64			
5. 6.63	No objection	27. 4.64	29	
5. 6.63	3.3.64	28. 7.64	139	Includes 15 L.A. houses
5. 6.63	3.3.64	28. 7.64	21	
5. 6.63	18.11.64	29. 4.65	48	Includes 3 L.A. houses
7. 8.63	No objection	11. 2.64	20	Includes 6 L.A. houses
18. 3.64	12. 1.65	2. 3.65	116	Includes 5 L.A. houses
22. 4.64	No objection	15. 1.65	23	
22. 4.64	No objection	28. 1.65	8	Includes 1 owned by L.A.
5. 8.64	No objection	27. 4.65	39	
5. 8.64	No objection	27. 4.65	32	
5. 8.64	No objection	17. 8.65	10	
5. 8.64	No objection	2. 8.65	152	Includes 29 L.A. houses
25.11.64	4. 5.65	27. 7.65	24	
25.11.64	4. 5.65	26. 7.65	15	
25.11.64	26. 5.65	19. 7.65	58	Includes 1 L.A. house
28. 4.65	18. 1.66	18. 5.66	41	Plus 7 "Grey" house/shops
28. 4.65	1. 3.66	12. 5.66	5	
28. 4.65	1. 3.66	12. 5.66	10	
9. 6.65	13. 4.66	12. 7.66	34	
9. 6.65	18. 1.66	18. 5.66	121	
8. 9.65	7. 9.66	7. 2.67	101	Plus 5 "Grey" houses
8. 9.65	7. 9.66	7. 2.67	50	
8. 9.65	No objection	4. 7.66	12	
8. 9.65	13. 4.66	12. 7.66	15	
20.10.65	25.10.66	20. 1.67	225	Plus 14 "Grey" Houses
1. 6.66	-	-	10	
13. 7.66	23. 5.67	18. 9.67	217	Includes 8 L.A. and 7 "Grey" houses
23.11.66	3.10.67	28.12.67	309	Includes 25 L.A. and 9 "Grey" houses
7. 6.67	No objection	17.11.67	13	Includes 3 L.A. houses
23. 8.67	No objection	30. 1.68	22	

TABLE
CLEARANCE OF UNFIT

No.	Clearance Area	Clearance Order or Compulsory Purchase Order	Date of Order	No. of Houses Represented	No. of Houses Confirmed by Ministry
78	Gledhall St.	CPO	1968	5	5
79	Hollins St.	CPO	1968	4	4
80	Kinder St./Union St./Wakefield Rd. etc.	CPO	1968	138	138
81	Huddersfield Rd./Hey Heads	CO	1968	7	7
82	Bridge St./Caroline St./Bedford St.	CPO	1968	17	17
83	Cocker Hill/Carter St.	CO	1968	12	12
84	Stamford St./Newton St.	CO	1968	7	7
85	Castle Hall No. 19	CPO	1969	17	
86	Swan Houses	CO	1969	2	

IIHOUSES IN POST WAR SCHEME

Date of Representation	Date of Inquiry	Date of Confirmation by Ministry	No. of persons Displaced	
11.10.67	24.7.68	5.9.68	9	
11.10.67	Properties purchased		10	
11.10.67	13.8.68	18.12.68	214	Includes 30 L.A. houses
11.10.67	15.10.68	5.11.68	11	Includes 1 L.A. house
15.11.67	24. 9.68	31.10.68	30	Includes 8 L.A. houses and 3 "Grey" properties
15.11.67	21. 1.69	26. 3.69	33	
13.12.67	No objection	8. 8.68	15	
19. 3.69				Includes 7 L.A. houses and 1 "Grey" properties
24. 4.68				2 disused dwellings also included

RENT ACT, 1957

No applications for certificates of disrepair were received.

FOOD

MEAT AND OTHER FOODS INSPECTION

It is very satisfactory to report that once again no Tuberculosis was found in any animal. The carcasses of 11 cattle were refrigerated following the finding of isolated cysts in the head or heart.

The number of animals slaughtered at our one slaughterhouse off Buckley Street fell from 12031 in 1967 to 11434 in 1968.

TABLE III

CARCASES INSPECTED AND CONDEMNED

	Cattle excluding Cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs
Number killed	1589	1037	21	7855	932
Number inspected	1589	1037	21	7855	932
ALL DISEASES EXCEPT TUBERCULOSIS & CYSTICERCOSIS					
Whole carcasses condemned	-	2	1	10	2
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned	477	478	1	647	219
Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than tuber- culosis and cysticercosis	29.5	46.2	9.5	8.3	23.7
TUBERCULOSIS ONLY					
Whole carcasses condemned	-	-	-	-	-
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned	-	-	-	-	-
Percentage of the number inspected affected with tuberculosis	-	-	-	-	-
CYSTICERCOSIS					
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned	11	-	-	-	-
Carcasses submitted to treat- ment by refrigeration	11	-	-	-	-
Generalised and totally condemned	-	-	-	-	-

The approximate weight of meat and offal condemned at the Buckley Street Slaughterhouse is as follows:-

			<u>1968</u>	<u>1967</u>
Tubercular	...	...	-	-
Non-tubercular	...	...	23,420 lbs.	30,958 lbs.
			<u>23,420 lbs.</u>	<u>30,958 lbs.</u>

Details of meat and offal condemned are as follows:-

			<u>1968</u>	<u>1967</u>
Whole carcasses	...	...	15	26
Part carcasses	...	...	37	46
Heads and Tongues	...	...	32	29
Lungs	...	...	820	1069
Diaphragms	...	...	61	47
Hearts	...	...	41	98
Livers	...	...	1096	1316
Part Livers	...	...	547	410
Stomachs	...	...	12	8
Mesenteries & Intestines	...	...	9	9
Spleens	...	...	42	175
Kidneys	...	...	21	28
Plucks	...	...	25	41
Tails	...	...	-	-
Udders	...	...	120	155
Stomach & Intestines	...	...	-	6
Shanks	...	...	82	146

SLAUGHTERHOUSE

January 1st, 1961, was the appointed day for the Construction Regulations to apply to our one slaughterhouse situated in Buckley Street. The Slaughterhouse is privately owned and leased to a wholesale butcher.

DISPOSAL OF CONDEMNED MEAT AND OFFAL

All condemned meat and offal is sold to a firm outside the Borough for processing after being stained green by the Meat Inspectors.

In addition the following have been condemned:-

59 tins Ham	366 pkts. frozen meat products
98 " Meat	670 " " vegetables
130 " Fruit	8 " " Eclairs
275 " Vegetables	3 " " Cream Sponge
6 " Soup	22 " " Puff Pastry
498 " Fish	138 " " Mousse
34 " Creamed Rice	8 tins Fruit Juice
4 " Creamed Sago	1 jar Pickles

The following is a list of shops in which food is sold:-

Grocery & Provisions	...	...	...	73
Bakers & Confectioners	...	...	...	19
Fish Friers	...	...	...	19
Butchers	...	...	...	20
Greengrocers	...	...	...	14
Sweets & Tobacco etc.	...	...	...	16
Fishmongers	...	...	...	5
Cafes	...	...	...	15
Tripe	...	...	...	1
Wines & Spirits	...	...	...	1
Outdoor Licences	...	...	...	7
Factory Canteens	...	...	...	17
School Canteens	...	...	...	8

PREMISES REGISTERED UNDER SECTION 16
OF THE FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1955

<u>Ice Cream</u>	- Manufacture	1
	- Storage and Sale	83
<u>Preserved Foods</u>	- Preparation and	
	Manufacture	43

In relation to ice cream premises the requirements of the Ice Cream (Heat Treatment, etc.) Regulations, 1947 - 1952 are complied with.

FOOD PREMISES

The routine inspection of food premises continued during the year. A reasonable standard of hygiene is generally maintained and the majority of food traders are co-operative. The total number of visits to food premises during the year was 368 and the following is a list of visits made to the various types of food premises:-

			<u>1968</u>	<u>1967</u>
Butchers' Shops	...	...	44	55
Bakehouses	...	...	51	32
Cafes & Canteens	...	...	57	20
Fried Fish Shops	...	...	29	5
Ice Cream Manufacturing & Storage			5	17
Fishmongers	...	...	15	10
Other Food Premises	...	...	167	118

MOBILE FOOD SHOPS

A number of food traders are now operating mobile shops and under a local act the licensing of all hawkers is required. No licence is issued without the vehicle being inspected and approved by the Public Health Department and in this way a reasonable standard of mobile food shop is attained.

ICE CREAM

Distribution of ice cream within the Borough continues to be very satisfactory, only closed motor vans and trailers specially constructed and equipped with hot and cold water are used.

Ice cream is manufactured in only one building, this was erected in 1967.

THE LIQUID EGG (Pasteurisation) REGULATIONS, 1963

Number of egg pasteurisation plants in district	-	None
Number of samples of liquid egg submitted to the Alpha-Amylase test and their results	-	None

POULTRY INSPECTION

There are no processing premises within the Borough.

CLEAN AIR

Industrial Air Pollution

The big majority of industrial firms keep well within the time limit laid down in the Dark Smoke (Permitted Periods) Regulations, 1958.

<u>Year</u>	<u>Number of observations</u>	<u>Number contravening Regulations</u>	<u>% contravening Regulations</u>
1954	92	10	10.86
1955	137	9	6.56
1956	168	2	1.19
1957	120	2	1.66
1958	42	1	2.38
1959	82	2	2.44
1960	172	2	1.16
1961	38	2	2.27
1962	65	1	1.54
1963	49	-	Nil
1964	45	-	Nil
1965	15	-	Nil
1966	4	-	Nil
1967	15	2	13.33
1968	8	3	37.50

Industrial air pollution in the town is very low and the number of observations contravening the Regulations is misleading. The three contraventions noted above took place during a short period when a local firm were having temporary difficulty with an oil burning plant.

Domestic Air Pollution

It was decided to proceed with the making of one further Smoke Control Area - the Mottram Road/Grey Street/Stocks Lane Order comprising 327 houses and 8 other premises. The estimated cost of firegrate conversions is £15,183. The suggested date of operation is 1st July, 1970.

Smoke Control Orders

<u>No.</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date of Operation</u>	<u>Acreage</u>	<u>Premises</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
1	Fern Bank	1.3.60	21 $\frac{1}{2}$	140	
2	Castle Hall No. 1	1.6.60	1 $\frac{3}{4}$	95	Redevelopment site
3	High Street No. 1	1.6.60	1 $\frac{3}{4}$	36	" "
4	Castle Hall No. 2	1.1.62	1 $\frac{3}{4}$	43	" "
5	Ridge Hill/Stamford Street	1.7.62	230	1227	
6	Hague/Heyrod	1.3.64	245	1338	
7	Lindenwood	1.7.65	14 $\frac{1}{2}$	116	Private development
8	Hollins Estate etc.	1.7.65	62 $\frac{3}{4}$	240	" "
9	Buckton Vale Road	1.3.66	10	126	Manchester Overspill Site
10	High St./Hollins St. etc.	1.7.67	3 $\frac{1}{2}$	75	Redevelopment site
11	Mottram Rd./Mottram Old Rd.	1.7.68	774	517	
12	Undeveloped Land around Copley, Millbrook etc.	1.7.69	1055	96	
13	Set St./Sycamore St.	1.7.69	1 $\frac{1}{2}$	None at present	Redevelopment site
14	High St. No. 2	1.7.69	2 $\frac{1}{2}$	92	Redevelopment site
			<u>2423$\frac{3}{4}$</u>	<u>4141</u>	

Measurement of Air Pollution

One volumetric SO₂ and smoke recording instrument is in use in the Health Department. In order to obtain a complete year's figures readings are taken during all holiday periods.

The following Table shows the monthly figures:-

Month	S M O K E			S O ₂		
	Highest	Lowest	Average	Highest	Lowest	Average
January	427	36	142	374	49	155
February	480	12	131	602	43	177
March	221	21	79	280	24	124
April	190	13	66	275	16	91
May	141	8	56	225	24	93
June	83	11	33	228	23	74
July	65	13	34	155	27	68
August	104	11	36	219	18	73
September	212	13	61	208	18	73
October	302	17	83	214	22	81
November	254	36	92	305	28	116
December	668	42	131	592	43	146

RODENT CONTROL

During the year the Rodent Operator made 2,657 visits.
A further 472 visits were made by the Public Health Inspectors.

The use of Fluoracetamide in the sewers was continued. The dates of the Fluoracetamide treatments and the number of manholes treated are as follows:-

22nd January	—	13th February	400
22nd April	—	13th May	400
23rd July	—	23rd August	400
26th November	—	10th December	400

281 complaints regarding rats and mice infestations were made at the Health Centre.

29 annual contracts were in force at the end of the year and the total income received from these amounted to £145. -. -d.

	Type of Property	
	Non-Agricultural	Agricultural
Number of properties in district	8992	23
Total number of properties (including nearby premises) inspected following notification	581	4
Number infested by (i) Rats (ii) Mice	35	2
	42	-
Total number of properties inspected for rats and/or mice for reasons other than notification	211	-
Number infested by (i) Rats (ii) Mice	20	-
	69	-

The above table gives details of the work carried out in the Borough as detailed in the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food official form.

DISINFESTATION

Insecticide containing D.D.T. is used for disinfestation, 6 premises involving 18 rooms have been treated.

WASTE WATER CLOSET CONVERSIONS

The three stage compulsory conversion scheme was completed in 1964, and the only recorded waste water closets left in the town are those serving houses in clearance areas and houses likely to be considered for clearance in the near future.

DRAINAGE AND SEWERAGE

50 drains, 12 W.W.C's. and 15 waste water gullies have been opened by the Cleansing Department employees during the year.

The Borough Engineer, Mr. J.B.B. Seville, has kindly supplied me with the following information:-

3,281 lin. yds of main drainage was laid during the year.

FACTORIES ACTS

118 visits to bakerhouses and other factories have been made during the year. No informal notices have been served.

TABLE IV

INSPECTIONS MADE BY PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTORS

1. - Inspections for purposes of provisions as to health.

	No. on Re- gister	Number of		
		Inspection	Written Notices	Occupiers Prosecuted
Factories without Mechanical Power	30	2	-	-
Factories with Mechanical Power	154	65	-	-
Other premises under the Act (including works of building and engineering construction but not including outworkers' premises)	7	-	-	-
	191	67	-	-

2. - Defects found

Particulars	Number of defects				Number of defects in respect of which prosecu- tions were instituted
	Found	Remedied	Referred to H.M. Insp- ector	by H.M. Insp- ector	
Want of cleanliness (S)	3	-	-	-	-
Overcrowding (S.2)	-	-	-	-	-
Unreasonable temperature (S.3)	-	-	-	-	-
Inadequate ventilating (S.4)	-	-	-	-	-
Ineffective draining of floors (S.6)	-	-	-	-	-
Sanitary conveniences -					
Insufficient	-	-	-	-	-
Unsuitable or defective	6	-	-	-	-
Not separate for sexes	-	-	-	-	-
Other offences	-	-	-	-	-
	9	-	-	-	-

OUTWORKERS

There are 26 outworkers in the town employed by firms both inside and outside Stalybridge. Each outworker is engaged in making wearing apparel.

SHOPS ACT, 1950

123 visits were made to shops in connection with health provisions and hours of closing under the Shops Act, 1950.

REGISTRATION OF HAIRDRESSERS

The number of premises registered for the purposes of hairdressing under Section 148 of the Cheshire County Council Act, 1953, is 39. The premises comply with the requirements of the bye-laws made under the Act and a good standard is maintained.

PET ANIMALS ACT, 1951

3 premises are licensed under the Act. The premises are kept in a reasonable condition.

CONTAGIOUS DISEASES OF ANIMALS

Foot & Mouth Disease

Stalybridge was included in the Infected Area from 9th November, 1967 to 18th March, 1968. 401 movement licenses were granted. No cases were found in Stalybridge but the inclusion in an Infected Area for so long meant a very considerable amount of additional work.

Anthrax

No cases or suspected cases of Anthrax were dealt with.

Diseases of Animals (Waste Foods) Order

6 boiling plants are licensed under the above Order. Most of the plants are used by small stock-keepers and only a small amount of kitchen waste is treated.

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT, 1948

SECTION 50

No burials were arranged during 1968.

PUBLIC RELATIONS

Talks were again given to the senior classes in the two Secondary Modern Schools. Clean Air was again the subject chosen.

OFFICES, SHOPS AND RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963

The following premises were on the Register at the year end.

Offices	...	...	...	34
Retail Shops	...	...	...	109
Wholesale Shops, Warehouses	...	...	...	4
Catering Establishments open to the public, canteens	21
Fuel Storage Depots	-
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				169

The number of visits to registered premises was 72.

The analysis of persons employed in registered premises is as follows:-

<u>Class of Workplace</u>	<u>No. of persons employed</u>
Offices	237
Retail Shops	331
Wholesale Depts. Warehouses	58
Catering establishments open to the public	113
Canteens	1
Fuel Storage Depots	-
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Total No. of Males	323
Total No. of Females	417

ANALYSIS OF CONTRAVENTIONS

Section		Number of Contraventions found	Section		Number of Contraventions found
4	Cleanliness	-	13	Sitting facilities	-
5	Overcrowding	-	14	Seats (Sedentary Workers)	-
6	Temperature	-	15	Eating facilities	-
7	Ventilation	-	16	Floors, passage & stairs	3
8	Lighting	-	17	Fencing exposed parts machinery	-
9	Sanitary Conveniences	-	18	Protection of young persons from dangerous machinery	-
10	Washing facilities	1	19	Training of young persons working at dangerous machinery	-
11	Supply of drinking water	-	23	Prohibition of heavy work	-
12	Clothing Accommodation	-	24	First Aid	1
				General Provisions	<u>5</u>

REPORTED ACCIDENTS

Workplace	No. Reported	Total No. Investigated	Action Recommended			No Action
			Prosecution	Formal Warning	Informal Advice	
Offices	1	-	-	-	-	1
Retail Shops	-	-	-	-	-	-
Wholesale Shops, Warehouses	-	-	-	-	-	-
Catering Establishments open to public, canteens	1	-	-	-	-	1
Fuel Storage Depots	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals	2	-	-	-	-	-

REFUSE COLLECTION

DISPOSAL AND SALVAGE

REFUSE COLLECTION

During the year the following loads of refuse were cleared:-

House Refuse	...	...	...	4,418
Salvage	...	...	...	576
Pails	...	...	...	46
Ashbins	...	...	...	423,100

A weekly collection of refuse was maintained by 3 of the 4 refuse collection gangs except for the period following holidays. The frequency for the 4th gang was 1 to 2 days over the week. The development of the town continues and the refuse collection rounds have to be altered from time to time to allow for demolitions and new building. The access to some of the new properties is unreasonable and causes a slowing down of refuse collection.

Pail Collection

The pails serving the 40-50 hillside farms and cottages are emptied each week on Saturday morning - including holiday periods. A pail collection trailer is used and the contents are discharged into a sewer.

Provision of Ashbins

As from 1st April, 1952, ashbins were supplied by the Council as a charge against General Rate Fund and since that date 8,426 ashbins have been supplied. During the year 837 bins were supplied to domestic premises and 25 bins were sold.

Refuse Collection Vehicles

Details of vehicles operated by the Cleansing Department are as follows:-

<u>Registered</u> <u>No.</u>	<u>Make</u>	<u>Capacity</u>	<u>Purchased</u>	<u>Price</u> £	<u>Depreciated</u> <u>Year</u>
4026 TJ	Ford	7 cwt. Van	July 1963	481	1970
9868 VU	Karrier	12 cu.yd.	Apr. 1964	2058	1971
CNF 918C	Karrier	10 cu.yd.	June 1965	1445	1972
STU 479D	Weatherill	Loading Shovel	Sept. 1966	3045	1970
JVM 584F	Karrier	Ramillies 25	Jan. 1968	3466	1974
LNC 476G	Karrier	10 cu.yd.	Oct. 1968	1607	1975
LND 422G	Karrier	18 cu.yd.	Oct. 1968	3248	1975
779 AMB	S.D.	18 cu.yd.	Oct. 1968	60	-

In September Karrier Gamecock Dual Tip, 2541NF, a 6 year old vehicle was destroyed by fire. The Fire Service were of the opinion that the fire was caused by a wiring fault. An 18 cu.yd. S.D. Fore & Aft Tipper 779 AMB was purchased for £60 from a nearby local authority for use until a new vehicle could be delivered.

Vehicle breakdowns caused a number of headaches and but for help on occasions from adjacent local authorities, refuse collection would have been seriously interrupted.

Cleansing Department Labour

347½ working days were lost due to sickness as against 422½ in 1967. The figure for 1966 was 716 and shows a very welcome reduction.

Following the resignation of the Foreman (Mr. N. Ellison) in December, 1967 - Mr. G. Stuart was appointed - his appointment terminated in August, 1968 and Mr. J. Bishop was appointed. Mr. Bishop was still Foreman at the year end but had to resign for health reasons early in January, 1969.

Wages Rates

Wage rates payable at the end of the year were as follows:-

	£	s.	d.
Ashbinman	14.	-.	-.
Ashbinman with over 5 years service	14.	7.	-.
Driver	14.	12.	-.
Driver with over 5 years service	14.	19.	-.

Depots

The Depots in use by the department are still Ashbridge Motors, Market Street and Dean Street Yard. No progress has yet been made in obtaining land on which to build a depot to replace that at Dean Street.

DISPOSAL

The Brushes Tip was again used for the disposal of nearly all our refuse. Quarry Street Tip was used on two or three occasions during very bad weather. No domestic refuse has yet been tipped by us in Stonecliffe Quarry, which the Corporation now own. Indiscriminate and unauthorised tipping at weekend and evenings has occurred only too frequently.

Discussions on the possibility of operating a joint pulverisation plant along with the Boroughs of Ashton-under-Lyne and Dukinfield continued at officer level. The Joint Committee met early in the year and decided to visit a number of plants. This was done and a type of pulverisor was provisionally decided on. In the meantime the Local Government Operational Research Unit were engaged to carry out a survey on refuse disposal in the Stockport area. Ashton, Dukinfield and Stalybridge decided to take part and defer a decision on their plant for the time being.

SALVAGE

Details of the tonnage and value of waste paper collected during the past five years is as follows:-

<u>Year</u>	<u>Weight</u> (tons)	<u>Value</u> £
1964	278	2087
1965	271	2387
1966	259	2303
1967	230	1968
1968	214	1769

The following are comparative figures for 1967 and 1968:-

<u>1968</u>			T.	C.	£
Paper	214	14	1769
Metal	2	4	25
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			216	18	1794
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<u>1967</u>			T.	C.	£
Paper	230	6	1968
Metal	2	17	35
Textiles	-	-	3
Sundries	-	-	1
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			233	3	2007
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SALVAGE 1948 - 1968

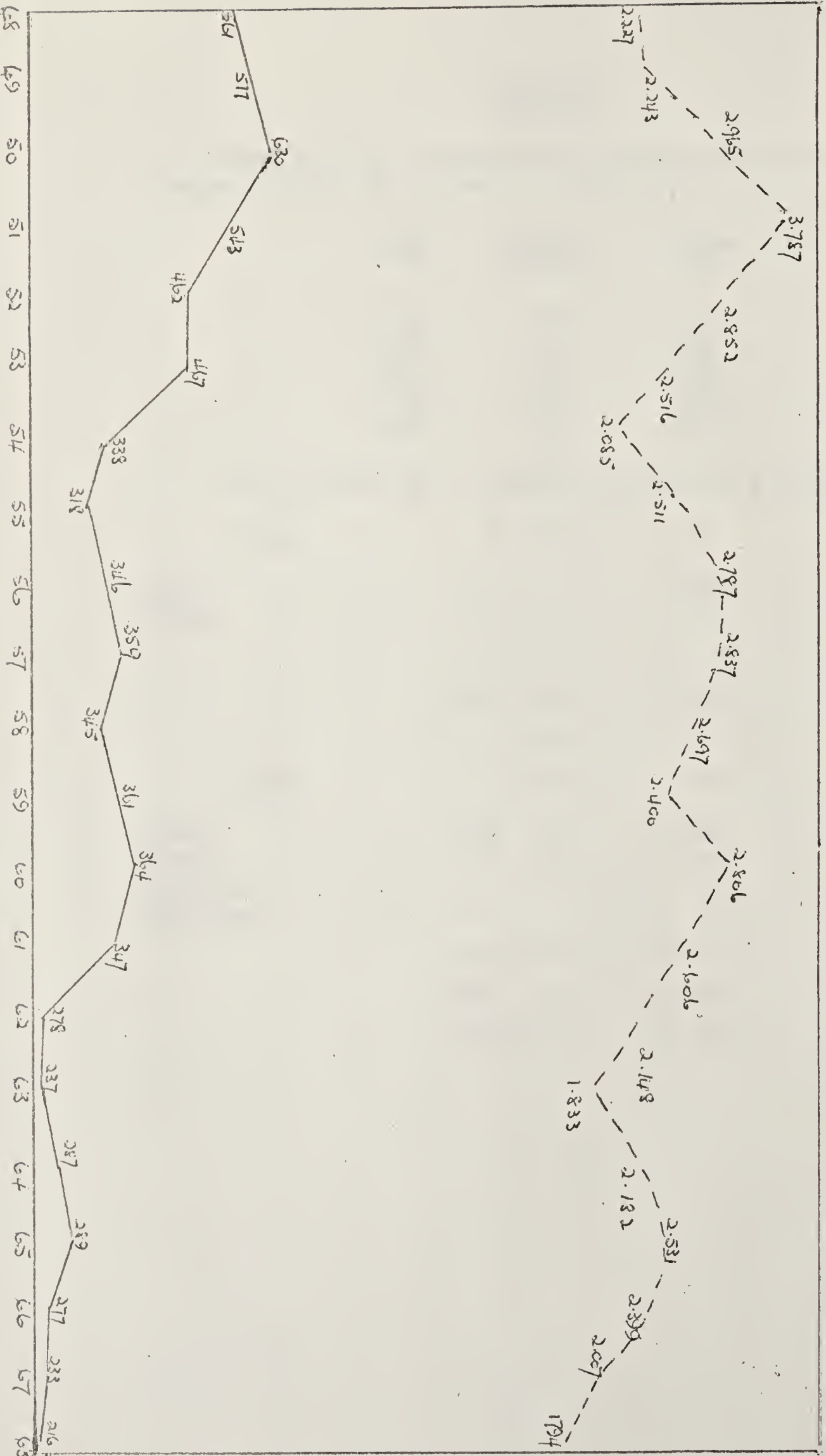
Comparison between Weight of Salvage

Collected and Income

Weight in Tons

Income in £

Income



Salvage Bonus

In the twenty years the salvage bonus scheme has been in operation £6,144 has been paid to Cleansing Department employees. The bonus paid each financial year is as follows:-

<u>Year</u>	<u>Amount Paid</u>		
	£	s.	d.
1948/49	86	16	2
1949/50	60	6	2
1950/51	148	19	-
1951/52	512	11	1
1952/53	136	3	1
1953/54	159	17	4
1954/55	228	3	11
1955/56	367	2	3
1956/57	418	12	5
1957/58	435	-	4
1958/59	362	18	5
1959/60	332	10	6
1960/61	429	18	3
1961/62	356	16	-
1962/63	235	11	10
1963/64	169	18	5
1964/65	240	3	9
1965/66	520	4	7
1966/67	469	-	3
1967/68	297	4	6
1968/69	176	6	-
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S U P P L E M E N T

CESHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

STALYBRIDGE AND DUKINFELD HEALTH DIVISION

REPORT OF THE
DIVISIONAL MEDICAL OFFICER
FOR THE YEAR 1968

S T A F F

Divisional Health Office,
Stamford Street,
Stalybridge.

Divisional Medical Officer

- Thomas Holme, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H.

Clerk to the Committee

- Douglas Leeming, LL.B.

Assistant County Medical
Officers

- J.D. Hinchliffe, M.B., Ch.B.

- A.N. Edmondson, M.B., Ch.B.

Divisional Administrative
Assistant

- A. Clough, M.I.O.M., A.R.S.H., L.I.S.W.

Clerical Assistants

- C.C. Fudge

Miss J. Norton

Mrs. A. Frith

Mrs. E. Brooks

Miss S. Wood

Miss M. Cowley

Mrs. D.M. Marsden

Mrs. W. Peel

Mrs. B. Roberts

Health Visitors (Stalybridge)

- Miss M.E. Mackenzie

Miss D.H. Garner

Miss F. Bailey

(Dukinfield)

- Mrs. M. Knowles

Mrs. J. Lee

Mrs. B. Dodgson

District Nurses (Stalybridge)

- Mrs. A.R. Porter

Mr. S. Steels

Mrs. P.A. Harrop

Mrs. G. Gregson

(Dukinfield)

- Miss E. Ambler

Miss O. Morton

Mrs. H.M. Johnson

Mrs. B. Sunderland

Midwives

(Stalybridge)

- Miss H. Sowerbutts

Mrs. J. Evans

Mrs. Leatherbarrow

(Dukinfield)

- Miss L. Bradley

Miss L. O'Hara

Mrs. M. Brown

Nurses

(Dukinfield)

- Mrs. H. Murphy

(Temporary)

Senior Mental Welfare Officer

- G.E. Lanceley

Physiotherapists

- Mrs. W.R. White
Mrs. M. Done

Domestic Help Supervisor

- Miss K. Sellars

Dental Surgeons

- Miss L. Kippen, L.D.S., D.P.D.
G.J. Hartley, L.D.S.

Specialists

Ophthalmic Surgeon

- F.W.C. Brown, M.D., Ch.B., D.P.H.

Orthopaedic Surgeons

- V.H. Wheble, B.M., Ch.B., F.R.C.S.
C.M. Dransfield, F.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.

Tuberculosis Physician

- P.B. Woolley, M.B., M.R.C.P.

Ear, Nose & Throat Surgeon

- O.T. Taylor, M.B., Ch.B.

Consultant Child Psychiatrist

- J.L. Lanceley, M.D. M.R.C.P.(G.) D.P.M.
A. Keevil M.B. B.S., D.C.H., D.P.M.,

General Practitioners attending
Welfare Centre, Dukinfield on a
sessional basis

- A. Ketchin, M.B., Ch.B.
D. Milner, M.B., Ch.B.

CARE OF MOTHERS AND YOUNG CHILDREN

The four Welfare Centres in the Division are situated as follows:-

<u>Dukinfield</u>	- King Street, Dukinfield. Dewsnap Lane, Dukinfield.
<u>Stalybridge</u>	- Stamford Street, Stalybridge. Milton Avenue, Millbrook.

Sessions are held as follows:-

King Street	- Wednesday afternoon
Dewsnap Lane	- Thursday afternoon
Millbrook	- Monday afternoon
Stamford St.	- Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons

Dukinfield Clinics

The Dewsnap Lane Clinic continues to attract more patients than the older one in King Street. This is accounted for by the shift in population away from the centre of the town but the new development on King Street may help to balance the situation when the new flats are tenanted.

The total attendance at both clinics was 3,589 and 285 new cases were seen. There were no staff changes during the year.

Stalybridge Clinics

The attendance figures for 1968 were roughly the same as for 1967 - 3,582 at the Health Centre and 1,232 at Millbrook Clinic. As with Dukinfield there were no staff changes during the year.

Voluntary Workers

Once again on behalf of the Committee and the nursing staff I would like to express my sincere thanks and appreciation for the work so willingly and cheerfully given at the Dukinfield, Stalybridge and Millbrook clinics by the voluntary workers.

Births

There was an increase in births during the year from 627 to 668. The record for the last four years is 611, 555, 627, 668. Of these births 511 or 76.5% occurred in hospital or maternity home. The large number of bookings in hospital has meant the continuation of the priority system for admission and the system of early discharge after delivery. Home and social conditions are assessed by this department and we have yet to have a refusal on an adverse report from me. The midwives, themselves, assess conditions in order to help the hospital decide whether a patient can be discharged after 48 hours of delivery.

	<u>1968</u>	<u>1967</u>
Total births in the Division - livebirths	653	613
stillbirths	15	14
Total No. transfers into the division	188	209
Total No. of children attending for first time 0-1 year	626	563
Total No. of attendances 0-1 "	6075	6185
Total No. of attendances 1-2 "	1072	1451
Total No. of attendances 2-5 "	1026	1310
Total No. of visits to new births	592	601
Total No. of secondary visits	5815	8007
Total No. of other visits	1606	2296

TABLE AChild Welfare Clinics

Clinic		Dewsnap Lane				Totals	King Street				Totals
Quarter		1	2	3	4		1	2	3	4	
New Cases		64	45	54	33	196	24	24	20	21	89
Atten- dances	0-1	469	476	436	372	1753	187	265	252	220	924
	1-2	88	51	91	92	322	57	34	39	49	179
	2-5	70	44	19	73	206	62	40	42	61	205
Total attendances						2281					1308
Clinic		Stalybridge				Totals	Millbrook				Totals
Quarter		1	2	3	4		1	2	3	4	
New Cases		71	67	67	63	268	21	16	17	19	73
Atten- dances	0-1	625	696	663	590	2574	231	179	204	210	824
	1-2	154	144	142	156	596	45	41	62	57	205
	2-5	121	129	90	72	412	54	54	51	44	203
Total attendances						3582					1232

The following table indicates the total births in the Division and the place of confinement:-

TABLE B

	<u>DUKINFIELD</u>						<u>STALYBRIDGE</u>					
	Live			Still			Live			Still		
	1967	1966	1968	1967	1966	1968	1967	1966	1968	1967	1966	1968
Gen. Hospital	194	139	193	3	3	6	285	170	303	11	5	9
Other Mater- nity homes & hospitals	3	30	-	-	-	-	-	45	-	-	-	-
Domiciliary confinement	55	84	69	-	-	-	76	79	88	-	-	-
	252	253	262	3	3	6	361	294	391	11	5	9

Mothercraft and Relaxation Classes

In view of the undoubted help which these classes can give the expectant mother the number of cases attending is disappointingly low. Only 84 mothers attended out of 668.

	<u>1968</u>	<u>1967</u>
No. of sessions held	60	81
No. of new cases	84	121
No. of attendances	368	551

Problem Families

At present there are 29 known problem families in the Division and a great deal of effort is expended by all members of the staff in an attempt to uplift and finally resolve the family problems and rehabilitate the family.

A bi-monthly case conference formerly convened by the Area Children's Officer and attended by representatives from the interested departments and voluntary bodies has now been superseded by case conferences on special cases.

Much use is made of voluntary bodies, particularly W.R.V.S. and S.S.A.F.A. in provision of cash grants and clothing to needy families. The cash grants usually are obtained to pay rent arrears when eviction is threatened and to alleviate other debts which may be creating problems.

WELFARE FOODS

There was an increase in the sale of orange juice and Cod Liver oil but a fall in the sale of National Dried Milk and vitamin tablets. The reduction in the sale of National Dried Milk reflects the attitude of the local hospital which discharges babies on a proprietary food.

TABLE C

	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968
National Dried Milk	7,795	6,411	6,529	7,101	6,033	3,985
Cod Liver Oil	439	412	473	529	430	443
Orange Juice	4,320	4,835	5,182	5,872	6,084	7,207
A & D Tablets	461	409	405	382	426	304

TABLE D

Quarter		March		June		Sept.		Dec.		Total	
		1967	1968	1967	1968	1967	1968	1967	1968	1967	1968
National	) @ 2/4d	1002	687	883	508	870	344	803	241	3558	1780
dried	) @ 4/-d	685	563	606	588	501	494	504	377	2296	2022
milk	) free	43	31	18	67	57	4	61	81	179	183
Cod	) @ 1/-d	137	143	95	89	76	91	109	111	417	434
Liver)										
Oil	) free	4	4	3	2	4	2	2	1	13	9
A & D	) @ 6d	97	71	99	72	115	68	114	93	425	304
Tablets	) free	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
Orange	) @ 1/6d	1349	1341	1657	1594	1674	1645	1326	1606	6006	6186
Juice	) free	27	8	17	4	26	7	8	2	78	21

I would like to thank the voluntary workers in Dukinfield who co-operate with us so well and sell welfare foods at the clinic on our behalf.

SPECIALISTS CLINICS

It is most essential when running Child Welfare sessions to have the backing of specialist clinics where cases can be referred for consultant opinion and advice and although the numbers referred under 5 years of age appear to be small this is no reflection on the great value of this type of clinic.

	<u>1968</u>	<u>1967</u>
<u>Ophthalmic (under 5)</u>		
New cases	9	9
Total attendances	35	25
<u>Ear, Nose and Throat (under 5 years)</u>		
New cases	13	25
Total attendances	13	30
<u>Physiotherapy (under 5)</u>		
Total attendances for interview by Orthopaedic Surgeon	735	709
Total attendances at Physiotherapist's Clinic	380	1566
Total attendances for U.V.R. treatment	802	2001

The number of attendances for physiotherapy and U.V.R. has shown a remarkable drop this year. The reason for this is not very apparent but could reflect the improved housing conditions which has been a feature in this area since slum clearance was actively reintroduced in 1955.

Hearing Clinics

No. of sessions	288	39
No. of children examined (0-5 years)	299	403

In addition to the normal screening clinics, selected cases are referred to a specialist clinic conducted by Dr. Taylor.

Dental Treatment

Children 0-5 years

No. of inspections	86
No. of visits	109
No. of extractions	91
No. of fillings	49
Dentures supplied	-

Ante-natal patients

No. of inspections	10
No. of visits	10
No. of extractions	3
No. of fillings	8

DAY NURSERY

The cost of the Day Nursery service continues to increase year by year and 1968 was no exception to this rule. As far as Dukinfield Nursery was concerned there was an increase in gross expenditure from 22/7d. a day to 26/-d. The net expenditure increased from 15/9d. to 17/10d. There were approximately 20 priority cases out of the total of 24 new admissions.

The charges levied are as follows:-

- (i) The standard charge when both parents are working - 14/-d. per day
- (ii) Where more than one child of a mother is attending a Day Nursery, the charge for second and subsequent children attending at the same time - 8/-d. " "
- (iii) The charge for children of mothers who are single, separated or divorced and living as single - 3/-d. " "
- (iv) The charge for children whose father is unemployed, ill or otherwise unable to work - 5/-d. " "
- (v) The charge for mentally handicapped children attending at the specific request of the County Medical Officer is the same as that at a Junior Training Centre - 1/-d. " "

	<u>1968</u>	<u>1967</u>
Total attendances .....0-2 years	2017	1812
2-5 years	4857	4784
Average attendance per day	29	27
New cases admitted	24	40
Waiting list as at 31.12.68	19	1
No. of mothers in employment	36	30
No. of medical examinations carried out	31	-
No. receiving sunlight treatment	-	2

TABLE E

	1962/63	1963/64	1964/65	1965/66	1966/67	1967/68
County average child/day	17/1 $\frac{1}{2}$ d	18/3 $\frac{1}{2}$ d	18/5 $\frac{1}{2}$ d	20/9 $\frac{3}{4}$ d	23/-d	24/9d
Dukinfield child/day	18/7 $\frac{3}{4}$ d	19/8 $\frac{3}{4}$ d	18/4 $\frac{1}{2}$ d	20/3 $\frac{1}{2}$ d	22/7d	26/-d
% attendance County average	91%	89%	91%	89%	86%	
Dukinfield	83%	83%	91%	91%	91%	

VACCINATION AND IMMUNISATION

The number of persons vaccinated against smallpox showed a marked increase to 469 from 289 in 1967.

Smallpox Vaccination - 1968

TABLE F

Age at date of vaccination	Number vaccinated	Number revaccinated
0 - 8 months	-	-
9 - 12 "	3	-
1 year	296	-
2 - 4 years	143	-
5 - 15 "	27	10
Total	469	10
At Clinics	355	10
By G.P's.	114	-

The figures for the twenty complete years since vaccination ceased to be compulsory are as follows:-

1949	-	76	1959	-	346
1950	-	223	1960	-	366
1951	-	350	1961	-	369
1952	-	459	1962	-	3317
1953	-	611	1963	-	150
1954	-	318	1964	-	269
1955	-	280	1965	-	256
1956	-	269	1966	-	281
1957	-	364	1967	-	289
1958	-	325	1968	-	469

There was a further improvement in the number of children protected against diphtheria, whooping cough and tetanus. This also applied to the protection against poliomyelitis.

During the year immunization against measles was introduced and 574 patients were so treated. It was perhaps unfortunate that the campaign began at a time when cases of measles were occurring in the area. Even so the figures we have are encouraging and it is hoped that parents will now avail themselves of this type of immunization which has been included in the new Ministry programme.

VACCINATION OF PERSONS UNDER AGE 16 COMPLETED DURING 1968

TABLE G - Completed Primary Courses

Type of vaccine	Year of birth					Others under Age 16	Total	
	1968	1967	1966	1965	1961-64		At clinics	By G.P's.
Quadruple DTPP	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Triple DTP	254	209	22	11	37	5	397	141
Diphtheria/Pertussis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Diphtheria/Tetanus	-	-	-	-	71	3	74	-
Diphtheria	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-
Pertussis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tetanus	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Salk	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sabin	242	214	38	7	42	2	409	136
Measles	1	116	98	104	249	6	470	104

TABLE H - Reinforcing Doses

Type of vaccine	Year of birth					Others under Age 16	Total	
	1968	1967	1966	1965	1961-64		At clinics	By G.P's.
Quadruple DTPP	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Triple DTP	-	1	5	2	49	7	-	64
Diphtheria/Pertussis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Diphtheria/Tetanus	-	-	1	1	133	8	143	-
Diphtheria	-	-	-	-	2	-	2	-
Pertussis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tetanus	-	-	-	-	2	5	-	7
Salk	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sabin	-	2	12	5	188	6	115	48
Measles	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

PREVENTION OF ILLNESS, CARE AND AFTERCARE

	<u>Pulmonary</u>		<u>Non-pulmonary</u>		<u>Total</u>
	M	F	M	F	
On T.B. register at 31.12.68	74	59	25	18	176
Notified during 1968	9	-	-	-	9

B.C.G. Vaccination

The B.C.G. vaccination programme was pursued during 1968 and there was an increase in the number of school children tested and vaccinated.

I was again disappointed with the reduction in the percentage of consents, 80.38 compared with 84.68 in 1967, especially as this form of vaccination gives excellent protection against tuberculosis. During the year we continued to use the Dermojet vaccination technique with encouraging results. This method is both quicker and more acceptable to the children and may prove to be the method of choice in the future.

TABLE I

	School children	Contacts
Consents issued	640	33
Consents received	508	33
% Consents	80.38	
Mantoux positive	22	-
No. vaccinated	407	52 +
No. revaccinated	2	-
<u>Follow-up Mantoux</u> No. tested	174	-
No. positive	170	-

+ includes 19 babies under 3 months

TABLE J

Year	% positive
1954	40.00
1955	32.05
1956	26.9
1957	29.7
1958	21.1
1959	19.1
1960	19.7
1961	16.4
1962	11.36
1963	7.4
1964	5.94
1965	8.18
1966	7.17
1967	9.7
1968	4.1

Deaths from Tuberculosis

	<u>Pulmonary</u>	<u>Non-pulmonary</u>	<u>Total</u>
0 - 1 year	-	-	-
1 - 5 years	-	-	-
5 - 15 "	-	-	-
15 - 45 "	-	-	-
46 - 65 "	2	-	-
66 and over	4	-	-

Cervical Cytology

The following are the figures for the years work. I would draw your attention to the fact that four positive smears were discovered and treatment arranged through the patients own general practitioner.

No. of Clinics - Stalybridge	11
No. of Clinics - Dukinfield	22
No. of patients (both clinics)	318
Total attendances	323
No. with some abnormality	19
No. of positive smears	4

TABLE K

Attendance by Social Class

Social Class	Number attending	Percentage of total	No. Positive
I	4	1.25	-
II	21	6.6	-
III	219	68.8	2
IV	52	16.3	2
V	8	2.5	-
Others	14	4.4	-

Handicapped Persons

We are finding a continuing demand, for assistance, from handicapped persons, - a result rather of an increasing knowledge of what the Committee can provide than of increase in the number of cases. Alteration to property has continued 39 cases have been assisted in this way, in the main with alteration to baths, provision of rails, seats and staircase hand rails. Ramps are often provided to enable wheel chairs to be easily used within and without the house. Small aids are also provided to enable the disabled housewife to more easily cope in the kitchen with simple chores - such as, opening tins, turning gas taps, the cutting of bread. 154 visits have been made to handicapped persons. Unfortunately, Mrs. Harris left mid-year and so far a replacement has not been found.

The Dukinfield Craft Class continued on Tuesday afternoons and has now extended its programme to alternate Thursday evenings for social activities. The Stalybridge Craft Class on Thursday afternoons and Tuesday evenings continues and attendances have increased.

Several special functions have been arranged varying from day trips to the sea-side, film shows, cookery demonstrations, bring & buy sales and an exhibition of handicrafts in conjunction with the Cripples Help Society.

During the year the special vehicle for handicapped persons continued to serve this division as well as Hyde and North East Cheshire.

Convalescent Home Treatment

Arrangements are in operation with five Homes, two at St. Annes-on-Sea, one at Marple, one at Buxton and one for men at Llanfairfechan. 28 patients were admitted during the year.

TABLE I

Number of Handicapped Persons in Division at 31.12.68

Definition	A G E										Total
	Under 16		16- 29		30- 49		50- 64		65 & Over		
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	
Amputation	1	-	2	-	2	1	3	3	5	2	19
Arthritis & Rheumatism	1	1	1	2	4	3	8	16	9	36	81
Congenital malformations and deformities	18	9	5	3	3	3	-	-	1	1	43
Diseases of the digestive and genito-urinary systems; of the heart or circulatory system; of the respiratory system (other than tuberculosis)& of the skin	9	8	6	10	3	2	6	2	35	80	161
Injuries of the head, face, neck, thorax, abdomen, pelvis or trunk. Injuries or diseases (other than tuberculosis)of the upper & lower limbs and of the spine	1	2	2	-	1	-	3	4	2	5	20
Organic nervous diseases - epilepsy, disseminated sclerosis, poliomyelitis, hemiplegia, sciatica etc.	11	6	5	3	4	3	1	2	1	12	48
Neuroses, psychoses and other nervous and mental disorders not included above	1	2	5	3	4	-	4	-	5	4	28
Tuberculosis (respiratory)	1	4	-	-	2	-	1	2	-	-	10
Tuberculosis (non-respiratory)	3	3	-	3	2	1	1	-	-	1	14
Diseases and injuries not specified above	-	2	-	2	-	1	-	1	-	1	7
Partially sighted	3	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	14	40	60
Totals	49	39	27	26	25	14	27	30	72	182	491
No. of persons added to the Register during 1968	-	-	-	1	1	2	8	11	3	5	31

No. of Epileptics 16 years of age and over 9

No. of Spastics 16 years of age and over 4

Chiropody Service

The chiropody service continues to expand though not quite at the same rate as in previous years. During the year 6,410 treatments were given, many of them domiciliary, to 1,335 patients.

Towards the end of the year a full time chiropodist was appointed to cover the three divisions at this end of the county. She is able to spend three sessions each week here.

TABLE M

Place of treatment	Over 65		Handicapped	
	No. of Patients	No. of Treatments	No. of Patients	No. of Treatments
Chiropodist's Surgery	677	3642	6	18
Home of patient	663	2807	9	43

Number of treatments for which County Council paid full fees - 6141
Number of treatments for which County Council paid part fees - 269
Number of cases in which County Council paid full fees - 1297
Number of cases in which County Council paid part fees - 38

Nursing Requisites

The following items of nursing equipment have been loaned from the Divisional Health Office, Stalybridge:-

6 Zimmer hoists	7 tripod walking aids
22 air rings	4 sets elbow crutches
38 urinals	4 bed cradles
56 bed pans	40 back rests
1 drinking aid	8 feeding cups
3 geriatric chairs	3 bed tables
7 bath seats	17 Zimmer Walking aids
1 bed elevator	10 commodes
2 pair sticks	7 bath rails
25 wheel chairs	3 bath mats
2 walking sticks	28 rubber sheets
4 toilet aids	5 beds & mattresses
1 teapot tipper	

Incontinence pads continue to be the main demand and prove to be a most useful nursing aid. From time to time special articles are requested by medical practitioners and district nurses, such as protective pants with interliners for ambulance patients and urine drainage bags for patients with in-lying catheters.

District nurses and midwives continue to be supplied with pre-packed sterilised equipment, disposable syringes and needles, dressing packs, catheters, disposable caps etc.

Domestic Help Service

The number of staff during the year was 66 part-time domestic helps, the equivalent of 35 whole-time helps. All of these were engaged in a temporary capacity. A total of 62,743 $\frac{1}{4}$ hours was worked by domestic helps and income from patients during 1968 was £817. 18. 9d.

	No. of cases where help was provided in 1968	Approx. No. of Hrs. help provided	Average No. of Hrs. per case
Persons aged 65 years or over on 1st January, 1968	473	62,743 $\frac{1}{4}$	132.6
Persons aged under 65 years on 1.1.68			
(i) Chronic sick and T.B.	5	440	8.8
(ii) Mentally disordered	-	-	-
(iii) Maternity	8	121	15.22
(iv) Others	15	664	45.6
Totals	501	63,948 $\frac{1}{2}$	138.4

MENTAL HEALTH SERVICE

THE REPORT OF THE SENIOR MENTAL WELFARE OFFICER, MR. G.E. LANCELEY,
IN RESPECT OF WORK CARRIED OUT WITHIN THE AREA OF THE STALYBRIDGE
AND DUKINFIELD HEALTH DIVISION DURING THE TWELVE MONTHS ENDED
31st DECEMBER, 1968

<u>Section</u>		<u>Male</u>		<u>Female</u>	
		<u>1967</u>	<u>- 1968</u>	<u>1967</u>	<u>- 1968</u>
5	Admissions to hospital for psychiatric treatment on an informal basis	48	43	89	85
25	Admissions to hospital for a period of 28 days for observation	21	24	36	29
26	Admissions to hospital for extended treatment	4	3	2	2
29	Admissions to hospital as a matter of urgency	5	9	5	5
39	Recall to hospital after breaking conditions of leave	-	1	-	-
60	Ordered to hospital from a Court	2	1	-	-

It is also of interest that apart from the above figures, 29 male and 35 female patients were referred to the Psychiatric Out Patient Clinic, thus obviating the necessity for admission to hospital in the majority of these cases. Most of these patients are included in the 167 patients who were conveyed to the Clinic by Mental Welfare Officers for consultations with the Psychiatrists, because they would not otherwise have attended.

62 male and 81 female patients were referred from the Consultant Psychiatrists for follow-up in the community, and to this end Mental Welfare Officers made 2,618 home visits during the year, an increase of 752 over 1967.

219 domicilliary visits have been made by the Consultant Psychiatrists accompanied by a Mental Welfare Officer, in order to discuss together, the most beneficial course of action for the patient.

88 referrals were received and subsequently redirected to other agencies, which were better equipped to deal with them. It is interesting to note that one of these referrals was to Dr. Mellor at the Alcoholic Unit, Springfield Hospital, Crumpsall. This Unit introduces to this area, quite a new concept in the field of mental health.

In addition 28 referrals were made for accommodation for the Elderley Mentally Infirm. Unfortunately there is a very long waiting list for this type of accommodation and often hospitalisation has had to be implemented or extended.

Day care at Ashton General Hospital was arranged for 1 male and 3 female patients, and arrangements were also made for 1 male patient to attend the Industrial Unit at Offerton House, Stockport. Applications have also been made for hostel accommodation in respect of 2 female in-patients at St. Thomas' Hospital, Stockport, who are well enough to be discharged, but have no alternative accommodation available to them, and because of their lengthy hospitalisation, will need help in re-adjusting to a full life in the community.

An additional 7 male and 6 female subnormal patients were referred for domicilliary supervision during the year, and in all, 1,107 supervisory visits were made by Mental Welfare Officers to such patients, an increase of 75 over the 1967 figures. In order to relieve pressures in the home, short term care was arranged for 8 subnormal patients in hostels or hospitals.

The Grange Road Youth Club membership has grown steadily throughout the year and the attendance on Wednesday evenings is now approximately 45. May I again express my sincere thanks to the Hyde Health Committee for allowing us to use the Divisional mini-coach to convey members. Activities have included a Christmas Party and a visit to Ringway Airport, these being made possible by an active fund-raising committee who amongst other things, organised a sponsored walk which was started by the Mayor of Hyde and is expected to realise over £300 for future activities.

Mr. D.J. Dilworth is still at the Manchester College of Commerce, studying for his C.S.W.

Mrs. Kinsella is expecting a baby and resigned from the service in October.

Mr. I.K. Wood was appointed Trainee Mental Welfare Officer from the West Riding County Council. Miss P. Carr, M.W.O. was transferred from the Macclesfield area office and Mr. P.J. Huxley came into the service as Trainee Mental Welfare Officer directly after successfully completing a B.A. (Hons.) Course in Sociology.

As anticipated, the figures regarding admission to hospital continue to decline and the emphasis on community care is steadily becoming greater. The liason between this department and other agencies has been developed to an even higher degree during the year, and it is hoped that this progress will continue in all aspects.

